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REMARKS

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1. TV 5000 in Schwerin was the superior headquarters of KVPD in Kirchmoeser, which was officially designated as the S-5 instruction unit of TV 5000.
2. The S-5 unit was organized in a headquarters with 20 officers; a supply platoon with 3 officers, 6 NCOs and 10 EM; a 1st Bn with 25 officers, 28 NCOs and 109 EM; and a 2d Bn with 27 officers, 32 NCOs and 157 EM. The 1st Bn was organized into the headquarters with 4 officers, 1 NCO and 1 EM and 3 companies equipped with 37-mm guns. Each company was organized into a headquarters with 4 officers, 1 NCO and 2 EM; a command group of 1 officer, 4 NCOs and 6 EM and 2 gun platoons with 1 officer, 2 NCOs and 14 EM to each platoon. The personnel of the 1st Bn was newly recruited in June 1953. The 2d Bn was organized into a headquarters with 4 officers, 1 NCO and 1 EM; 2 companies with 7 officers, 9 NCOs and 36 EM to each company; and a third company with 9 officers, 13 NCOs and 84 EM. The 1st and 2d Cos of this battalion came from the AAA regiment in Altwarp in early July. The companies had the same composition as the three companies of the 1st Bn. The 3d Co of the 2d Bn was, however, equipped with 85-mm AA guns and had been detached from the AAA regiment in Pasewalk on 2 July. This company consisted of a headquarters with 4 officers, 1 NCO and 2 EM; a command platoon with 1 officer, 4 NCOs and 23 EM; an ordnance platoon with 1 officer, 3 NCOs and 13 EM; a radio platoon with 1 officer, 1 NCO and 6 EM; and two gun platoons with 1 officer, 2 NCOs and 20 EM to each platoon. A course for range finding techniques was administratively attached to the KVPD in Kirchmoeser.

25X13. Officers of the unit [] included Major Braeutigan, commanding officer, who came from the KVPD Frankenberg; Major Fritsch, PK officer; Lieutenant Wilfried Schulz, commanding officer of the 3d Co of the 2d Bn. One Soviet lieutenant colonel and a major who wore KVP uniforms were assigned to the unit.

4. The unit was equipped with 4 x 85-mm and 20 x 37-mm AA guns; 20 G-5 (H-6) trucks to tow the 37-mm guns; 8 ZIS 150 trucks assigned to the 3d Co of the 2d Bn; 1 BMW sedan; and a P-1 staff car. An undetermined number of motor vehicles was under repair.
5. Ten percent of the effectives belonged to the 1935 class, 40 percent to the 1934 class, 25 percent to the 1933 class, 10 percent each to the 1932 and 1931 classes and 5 percent belonged to older classes. Forty percent of the personnel came from Saxony, 30 percent from Thuringia, 5 percent from Saxony/Anhalt, 10

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percent from Brandenburg and 15 percent from Mecklenburg. Ten percent of the effectives were faithful Communists, 40 percent were indifferent, while 50 percent were opponents of the regime.¹

25X1 1. [] Comment. The transfer of two light companies from the AAA regiment of the Meez Div Eggesin and the previously reported transfer of a company equipped with 85-mm AA guns from the regiment in Pasewalk support the previously voiced assumption that Armeegruppe Nord is filling up other KVP units by detaching personnel to them. []

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